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RESTRICTS ELECTRIC POWER CONSUMPTION

The Main Administration of the Electric Power Department at the Ministry of Electrification and Improvement announces that because of the decrease of power production in hydraulic electric plants, the Council of Ministers has decreed the following supplementary restrictions for the consumption of electricity.

Regardless of the restrictions already in effect for the use of electricity for lighting and domestic appliances, the following rules will be put in effect on 1 October 1950:

- 1. The users of unrestricted ordinary meters may use 50 percent of the electricity they consumed during September; thus, persons who used 20 kilowatthours in September will be authorized to consume 10 kilowatt-hours in October.
- 2. The users of ordinary meters, at a mixed rate, may consume electricity for lighting at the rate provided for the corresponding category for September 1950, and 50 percent of the electricity used during that month for other household appliances.
- 3. The users of double-rate meters may consume 50 percent of the electricity consumed at either rate during September.
- 4. Users connected to electric systems located outside the area of the Sofia Municipal People's Soviet in the Sofia and Blagoevgrad' electrical district, including Pazardzhik, Blagoevgrad and Pirdon, will follow the regulations listed under Boint 1.
- 5. Users of electricity without meters will be authorized to use only two electric bulbs with a combined power of 60 watts and no other electric appliances.

All users of electricity who were connected to the system after 1 October 1950 are authorized to consume 15 kilowatt-hours monthly. Persons who did not use any electricity in September will be granted a volume of electricity based on their consumption in August.

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Violators of the present regulations will be cut from the use of electric power and will pay a 20,000-leva fine.

All enterprises under the jurisdiction of the Ministries of Industry and Electrification will adopt a 5-day work week.

Cotton gins are authorized to work a 6-day week, on three shifts, with a rest on Wednesday. Work will be stopped only between 1900 and 2200 hours.

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